

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicant: Bita et al.  
Serial No.: 10/717,335  
Conf. No.: 8257  
Filed: November 19, 2003  
For: STORAGE CONTROL  
APPARATUS AND CONTROL  
METHOD THEREOF  
Art Unit: 2185  
Examiner: Dillon, Samuel A.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified Application.

(X) Response B.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

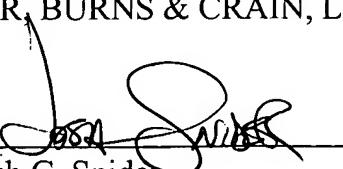
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 21, 2006, please consider the following remarks: